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Status		
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 12 July 2005.		
2a) This action is <b>FINAL</b> . 2b) ⊠ This action is non-final.		
3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is		
closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.		
Disposition of Claims		
4) Claim(s) 1-21 is/are pending in the application.  4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.  5) □ Claim(s) is/are allowed.  6) □ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are rejected.  7) □ Claim(s) is/are objected to.  8) □ Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.		
Application Papers		
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.  10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.  Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).  11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.		
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119		
<ul> <li>12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some * c) None of:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.</li> </ul>		
Attachment(s)  1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  Paper No(s)/Mail Date	4) Interview Summary Paper No(s)/Mail Da 5) Notice of Informal P 6) Other:	

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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
  - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 2. Claims 1, 4-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jain et al in view of Kam et al and Pickering.

Jain discloses an interest determination system that performs monthly calculation of account interest (col 5, lines 35-67). There is further disclosed processor, memory, system interface, and user interface (col 6, lines 17-34). Data is received for use in calculating account interest. There is disclosed a reference interest rate further includeing LIBOR (col 5, lines 35-67).

Jain et al dose not explicitly disclose daily calculation of interest rate.

Kam et al discloses daily calculation of interest rate (para 0164).

It would have been obvious to one with ordinary skill in the art to include daily calculation of interest rate because Kam et al teaches that daily interested is calculated

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for certain circumstances (para 0164) and Pickering teaches that consolidation of charges is advantageous (col 1, lines 34-50)..

3. Claim 2 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jain et al in view of Kam et al and Pickering as applied to claims above, and further in view of Herschkorn.

Jain et al and Kam et al does not disclose data feeds providing financial data to calculate account interest .

Herschkorn discloses data feeds providing financial data to calculate account interest (col 3, lines 65-67; col 4, lines 1-14).

It would have been obvious to one with ordinary skill in the art to include data feeds providing financial data to calculate account interest because Herschkorn teaches allowing for analysis of securities (col 4, lines 1-12).

4. Claim 3 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jain et al in view of Kam et al and Pickering as applied to claims above, and further in view of Kane.

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Jain et al and Kam et al does not disclose margin interest.

Kane discloses margin interest (col 2, lines 38-46).

It would have been obvious to one with ordinary skill in the art to include disclose margin interest because Kane teaches such as part of margin use which is desirable in the art (col 2, lines 38-46).

### Response to Arguments

5. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims have been considered but are most in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

#### Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alain L. Bashore whose telephone number is 571-272-6739. The examiner can normally be reached on about 7:30 am to 5:00 pm (Mon. thru Thurs.).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Timothy Meeks can be reached on 571-272-1423. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Regarding all Class 705 applications, the management contact regarding examination is: Vincent Millin (SPE, art unit 3624) at 571-272-6747.

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